

Rig Riders Houston Chapter Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2020 – Thirsty Parrot (Monaville, TX)

Closed Meeting Topics:

Juan Campos (Juan Wayne) SAA

- Called meeting to order

Brandon Davidson (Brando) Vice President

- Opened meeting and welcomed members
- Sign-In Sheet going around and 50/50 being sold
- Dave (Limey) Godfrey could not be here as his son is getting married today
- Asked Wiked about the status of Hangaround Cody Wall, he suggested we wait until he can verify what his availability would be like due to him starting a new job
- Asked Juan to come up and address an issue with Slick, Juan asked Slick to address the club. Slick apologized to B-Dazzle and the club for his response to a situation on an open WhatsApp thread. He had already spoken to B-Dazzle and all is good.
- Reminded everyone that we all know that our jobs and schedules may prevent us from attending every meeting, but we should try our best to make whatever we can (club events, weekend rides, etc.) when we can
- Asked Flaco if there were any suggested bylaw changes sent prior to the meeting, the answer was no, Brando then reminded everyone that if they did have any to get them to Flaco before the end of the meeting
- Thanked Bulldog and Chopper for all of their work getting the Raffle Bike cleaned up, working and ready to raffle off
 - Chopper is working on getting the raffle tickets printed up so that they can be sold at the Freedom Diesels event and the plan is to draw the raffle at the 2021 Rally
 - Satch made a comment that the bike looks the same as the OHH Raffle Bike and suggested we find ways to ensure people are not confused
 - Cat Daddy asked if we should just wait until next year, but everyone agreed we should start selling ticket now

Kalan Binder (B-Dazzle) Treasurer

- Reviewed the club financials with the members present
- Reminded everyone about the Freedom Diesel/RRMC event at 2920 Roadhouse was scheduled for 12/5/2020
 - The event has the potential to raise a considerable amount of money for us to donate to OHH
 - He explained that there will be trophies for the different categories of vehicles and that he would be asking us to help him get sponsors for each trophy

- There will be Trucks, Jeeps, Cars and Bikes
- Planning on a Poker Chip Draw, 50/50 and a memorabilia auction
- Members made comments, Topsy spoke about Barsh Diesel from a recent experience with his truck, Brando commented about the reach that Freedom Diesels have and that they love helping make money for charities, Cat Daddy asked if we were going to meet before the event and Kalan said we would

Tim Callais (Flaco) Secretary

- Gave an Election Committee status on behalf of Uno
- Reviewed minutes from previous club meeting at Tight Ends (League City, TX)
 - Motion to accept by Roger (Rocket) Smith
 - Seconded by Bruce (Gator) Smotherman

Mark LeBlanc (Topsy) Director

- Addressed the club regarding the Susan G Komen charity, we've donated on behalf of Marianne in previous years and agreed to increase the donation
 - Gator made a motion that we donate \$1,000
 - Satch seconded the motion
 - The club voted unanimously, the motion carries

Juan Campos (Juan Wayne) SAA

- Reminded everyone that if they cannot make it to a meeting, they should reach out to him before the meeting
- Help each other by checking each other's bikes before riding
- Drink responsibly when riding
- The Midland ride was a great success
- Thanked the Tyler Chapter members for being at our meeting

Defenders Update (Senior):

- Had a conference call with the Advisory Board for TX Defenders
- Legislation Day is in Austin on 1/25/21 and people are still encouraged to show up in force if COVID restrictions are not in place
- TX Defenders is still active and are updating their website
- COC&I recommends everyone join the Motorcycle Riders Foundation by going on their website www.mrg.org

Chris Miller (Satch) National President:

- Thanked the other chapter visitors for being there
- We should take care of other chapter members whenever they visit our chapter area. Tyler and Midland chapters always go out of their way when Houston chapter members visit

- It's important that you call if you can't attend a meeting (Gator and Juan made comments about this as well)
- Had a discussion concerning a patch that wives or girlfriends of members can wear on the back of a vest. The base design is a copy of the small supporter patch that was given to Chris Hopper but it would be approximately 9"
 - Topsy made a motion that we move forward with this patch
 - Wiked seconded the motion
 - Club voted 23 for / 4 against – motion carries
 - Bingo was asked to write something up so that we have guidelines about who gets them and how

Member Comments:

- Marc (Topsy) LeBlanc – Can the National Thread be designated as a thread that is only used for communicating meetings and events or other important information? If you have not registered for the Christmas Party or are not sure, please see me after the meeting
- Mike (Tex) Allen – COC&I not approving clubs anymore, the United Clubs of Houston Region 3 has been set up for that sole purpose, it is attended by 2 representatives from each club in Region 3. Tex and Kalan has volunteered to be the RRMC representatives for the United Clubs of Houston
- Roger (Rocket) Smith – Thanked everyone that was on the Fall Colors Ride and took the time to visit him at his house in Mena
- Justin (Roughneck) Irwin – Reminded everyone about the upcoming Chile Cook Off put on by the Midland Chapter
- Tim (Timbo) Beals – Did we sort out who makes club merchandise now. Satch let him know that Michele Kelley will be making them from here on out

Tim Callais (Flaco) Secretary

- Reviewed proposed changes to bylaws

Brandon Davidson (Brando) Vice President

- Upcoming rides:
 - Gilligan Ride 3/13/2021 or 3/27/2021 (will let everyone know)
 - Big Bend Ride 3rd weekend in April 2021
 - Christmas Party 12/18/2020
- Next Month's Meeting location:
 - Bullet Grill in Point Blank – 8
 - **Taqueria Arandas in The Woodlands – 10 (Meeting will be here)**
 - Wildcatters in Katy – 5
- 50/50 Winner Tim (Timbo) Beals

No Open Meeting Held